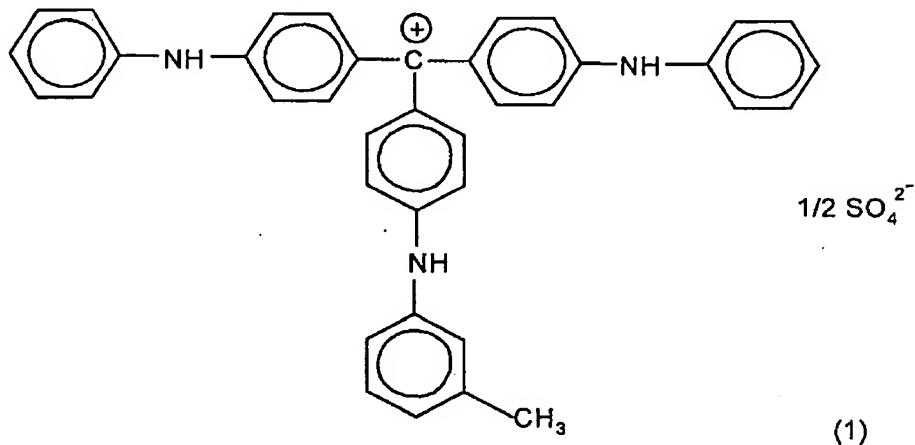


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Amendment to the Specification

Please make of record the following Abstract:



A dye base sulfate and method of making. The dye base sulphate of formula (I) is produced with a residual amine content of less than 2000 ppm, as determined by HPLC, by precipitation of the dye base, made by Friedel-Crafts alkylation, substitution and hydrolysis, as the dye base sulphate is a) taken up in water and subjected to a first steam distillation then filtered and optionally dried at 50 to 180°C, b) the pressed cake is treated with water or the optionally dried dye base sulphate is moistened with water, c) subjected to a further steam distillation and filtration and d) dried at 50 to 180°C.